

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at p. 3, l. 24 – p. 4, l. 3, as follows:

A communication method according to one aspect of the present invention can be implemented in a communication system including a ~~at least one~~ base station and a terminal, the terminal transmitting a data as a new data to the base station, and upon receiving an NAK signal indicating a reception failure from the base station as a response to the transmission of the new data, transmitting the data as a retransmission data to the base station. The communication method includes a first step for the base station to transmit information on a value of a resource for data transmission that is used for a communication between the base station and the terminal; a second step for the terminal to receive, from the base station, information on the value of the resource for data transmission; a third step for the terminal to transmit a new data to the base station based on the value of the resource for data transmission; and a fourth step for the terminal, to autonomously transmit a retransmission data to the base station without sending a transmission request to the base station for a resource to transmit the retransmission data, in case the new data is transmitted to the base station at the third step and the NAK signal is received from the base station as a response to the new data plurality of terminals (including a single terminal) located in a service area covered by the base station. The communication method includes retransmitting including the terminal autonomously transmitting retransmission data without making a transmission request when an NAK signal indicating a reception failure is returned from the base station and a transmission permitted time assigned to the terminal to which the NAK signal is returned is over.

Please amend the paragraph at p. 4, l. 4 – p. 4, l. 16, as follows:

According to the present invention, even if the NAK signal is returned from the base station ~~and the transmission permitted time assigned to the terminal is over~~, the retransmission data is autonomously transmitted without sending a transmission request to the base station for a resource to transmit the retransmission data. Consequently, as compared with the conventional technology in which processes related to sending of a transmission request upon retransmission and reception of an assignment signal are executed, a delay time occurring during transmission of retransmission data can be largely reduced. Moreover, by reducing the delay time, the time for using the buffer for accumulating data, of which reception is failed, is made shorter, thus, largely improving the buffer use efficiency.

Please replace the abstract at p. 19 with the following new abstract: